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"A THANK YOU NOTE"

Dear Citizens of Appomattox County,

I indeed enjoyed the months I spent in your county, working and helping as much as possible.

Now the time has come for me to sail on to a new horizon (Newport News), where I hope I'll meet some of the same familiar personalities.

So in a short and sweet "kindaway", I want to say thank you to everyone for their help and support during my stay.

May God bless and keep each and everyone of you so that your lights may continue to shine brightly in the eyes of others who come to this, a strange place.

To the 4-H'ers I would like to say "Keep On Keeping On" the 4-H way.

So long ye ole mates and take care.

Claudette L. Smith,
Extension Agent

Insulation Fraud

BLACKSBURG - Be wary of the door-to-door selling of home insulation, warned a Virginia Tech Extension specialist in consumer education.

"Families in rural and urban areas are being approached by salespersons and promoters with a wide range of offers to insulate homes in such a way as to guarantee the homeowner a Federal income tax credit," said Glen H. Mitchell, the specialist.

Oftentimes this is a "come-on" for a fast buck artist, he cautioned, because the U. S. Congress has not acted (as of March 1, 1978) to pass any such "insulation credit."

In fact, the demand for insulation materials, especially fiberglass, rockwool, and other fireproof materials, well exceeds the supply. Waiting lists for these materials are quite long in most areas of Virginia and most dealers are not out drumming up new business. So for the spring of 1978, check up carefully on any "special deals on insulation," Mitchell said.

"For your own protection, deal with reputable firms or persons that you can check out for reliability," he recommended.

Do not bite on any insulation job because of any guarantee that you'll be able to collect an income tax credit. Only if such a law is passed, will any rebate be possible. The rebate would even have to be retroactive to apply to insulation installed prior to the passage date of the law. There is no guarantee that legislators will pass any such law.

Homeowners should check carefully with at least a couple of dealers and/or contractors regarding the quality and amount of insulation really needed for their home. Careful attention should be given to the cost of material and labor for different types of insulation.

During fall of 1977, dealers in some areas of the State had "cellulose" insulation for sale. This material can be "blown in" with available machines or spread with a rake by "do-it-yourself homeowners."

Cellulose materials (recycled newspapers) are not fireproof, Mitchell said. Most such materials have been treated to be "fire retardant," but most will burn at relatively slow rates once ignited.

The other factor to watch is pricing. The cellulose materials, attractive to "do-it-yourselfers," often were priced 10 to 20 percent above other more fire-resisitant materials for equal insulating ability computed on a per square foot basis.

Liberty Baptist Church Plans Church-Census

The Liberty Baptist Church will begin a community-wide church census this Sunday, April 23. According to associate pastor, Larry Whorley, the survey is designed to measure the religious pulse of our community.

The survey will cover a perimeter of five to seven miles from the town of Appomattox. It is expected to take several weeks to complete this census.

Liberty Baptist Church is asking the cooperation of the entire community in this effort. It is designed only to know the church affiliation of each family in our community. The survey workers will be members of Liberty Baptist Church.

One of the reasons which motivated this survey was the fact that numerous new famiies have moved into Appomattox County and possibly have no church affiliation at this time. We hope to be able to publish the results of our survey after its completion.

"Cancer Answers" Will Provide Information

"Cancer Answers," a four-teen part series designed to provide concise and understandable information on various aspects of cancer, will be presented by WCVE-TV of Richmond in cooperation with the American Cancer Society (ACS), Virginia Division, beginning Thursday, April 13. The series will be carried by most cablevision stations in Central Virginia. Viewers should consult their local television listings for correct time and station.

The series was produced by the ACS; New Mexico Division Public Information Committee in conjunction with KRWG-TV in Las Cruses, N.M. The ACS, Virginia Division has endorsed the series as part of its public education and information efforts.

"'Cancer Answers' should be an informative source for students and professionals as well as the individual who wants information that is comprehensive and authoritative but understandable on the layman's level," Walter Lawrence, Jr., M.D., President of the ACS, Virginia Division said.

The series is structured in an interview format, using up to three guests per show. Selected slides and film clips are used in order to clarify presentations and to enhance comprehension, Dr. Lawrence said.

"Cancer Answers" will be transmitted from WCVE-Channel 23 in Richmond on the following schedule but local listings should still be consulted:

April 13 - What is Cancer? - Explanation of the difference between a normal cell, a cancer cell and how each grows; potential causes.

April 20 - The Doctor/Patient Relaitonship - Consideration of the physician's response to a patient's apathy, fear and anger; how the doctor tells the patient, and the patient's family, of the condition; how the family physician works in conjunction with the cancer specialists.

April 27 - Diagnostic and Detection Procedures - Explanation of the various methods used in the office and hospital to accurately detect cancer; discussion of what a complete physical examination should include.

May 4 - Chemotherapy - Discussion of what chemical treatment is and how it works; a look at the variety of drugs used.

May 11 - Radiation - Exploration of the various types of radiation treatment; the use of implants.

May 18 - Breast Cancer Detection - A probe of the pros and cons of mamography; Breast Self-Examination is taught.

May 25 - Breast Cancer Surgery - Discussion of the various surgical procedures.

June 1 - Breast Cancer Rehabilitation - A look at reconstructive surgery and explanation/demonstration of the Reach to Recovery Program.

June 8 - Lung Cancer - A look at detection, prevention, treatment procedures and expected cure rates.

June 15 - Laryngectomy - Discussion of the causes, treatment methods and rehabilitation.

June 22 - Cervical/Uterine Cancer - Explanation of the Pap Test, its necessity along with current treatment methods used.

The Pastor Speaks

It's possible to live a life of faith even in the midst of a world which does not respect faith. Young adults often have this problem. Friends with whom they grew up have taken to habits of which they do not approve. One danger is to compromise principle and join the old friends fully. Eugly dangerous is to "avoid sin" by avoiding the old friends themselves. Paul, instead, suggested that the Christian need not be contaminated by possible corruption in others.

For most people, faith takes a long time to mature. It would be simple if faith suddenly appeared full-grown at just the right moment in life. Usually it takes time and study and work. While faith is growing, most of us are constantly beset by doubts and fears. Even for those of us who have grown up in the church, those of us who have never really known a "life of sin" even though we sometimes commit sins. We, too, experience doubt and fear about our faith, particularly as teenagers and young adults. When so much of our thoughts are occupied with a growing family, with saving money to buy a house, with the constant pressure of keeping the car repaired, with thoughts about our aging parents; it is easy to give in to the doubts, and let faith wait for another day.

Doubt is not wrong for the Christian, though faith is better. Fear is not wrong, even though eventually Christ can conquer that fear. There is no need for despair because of the ultimate triumph of Christ, but meanwhile we human beings may well spend some sleepless nights. As we walk in the gift of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, let us live lives of as much faith as we can. By living faith to the best of our ability, weak though we are, that faith will grow.

Rev. James M. Becker, Pastor
Appomattox United Methodist Circuit
Bethel-Mt. Comfort-Trinity
Appomattox, Va.

REGIONAL SCIENCE FAIR HELD

Saturday, April 15, the first Central Virginia Regional Science Fair was held. Molly Handy was awarded an honorable mention for her project in mathematics. She also received a certificate of outstanding achievement from NSA. Scott Stevens was awarded a second place award in physics. Phillip Jacobs won awards presented by the U. S. Navy, U. S. Army, U. S. Air Fore, and NASA. He also won a special award from the Navy for scholarship. Congratulations to these students. Susan Smith, Juanita Patterson, Melinda Davis, Linda St. John and Sara Richardson, also partcipated since they were winners in the local fair.

COUNTY LINE

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Courtney Mann last week were: Rev. Paul Balthaser, Mr. and Mrs. Emery Mullins, Mr. Vernie Jones and Mr. John Archer.

Mr. Courtney Mann is in McGuire Veterans Hospital in Richmond where he'll undergo surgery later in the week. His address is McGuire Vet. Administration Hospital, Ward 9, Richmond, VA.

Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Tucker visited Mr. and Mrs. Edd Collins and Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Arnold and family Sunday.

June 29 - Colon/Rectum - Explanation of a Proctо Exam; the general problems an ostomate faces, how they can be overcome.

July 6 - Skin Cancer - Discussion of the most common of all cancers and how it can be prevented as well as treated.

July 13 - Helping the Patient Cope - Consideration of the physical, emotional, and economic aspects of the disease.

Mr. Ernie Tucker, Anne and Ronnie visited Mr. James Tucker and Mrs. Clara Nichols, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. David Carson and Susan, Mrs. Richard Nash and Wendy Nash visited Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Nash and family Thursday night.

Mrs. Laura Ferguson entered Lynchburg General Hospital on Sunday where she had surgery on Monday. She's doing nicely and have our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

The Central Baptist Church Choir sang at the Pentecostal Holiness Church on Saturday night and also enjoyed a wonderful message.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Nash and Tina and Mrs. Linda Howard and children visited in the home of Elliott Nash and Dawn Sunday.

Mr. Floyd Smith is now staying at a nursing home in Spout Spring. We wish him the best of health.

The County Line Homemakers Club met in the home of Mrs. Mae Zimmermen on Monday night. We had an enjoyable evening with good attendance.

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Regardless of the name, any weed is easier to control when it is small. It's for this reason that we recommend spraying the lawn in October-November for dandelion and other broadleaf weed control.

This is not to say that it's impossible to control dandelions now, but it should be noted that it is more difficult. One must be more deliberate.

There are four materials that will control dandelions - 2,4-D, Silvex, Dicamba, and Mecoprop. Most home owners choose 2,4-D at three tablespoons per gallon water.

The other yellow flower that serves as a useful reminder is the forsythia. When this flower copies in full bloom it's time to treat lawns for crabgrass control. There are several materials that can be used: benefin, bensulide, DCPA, terbuoi, or siduron. Most important, read the label before purchasing and again before applying.

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At the second Lynchburg calf sale last Thursday there were 1181 steers and 447 heifers. The lighter weights were slightly higher than two weeks ago but 500 pounders were down slightly. The high pen of steers bought $70.25 per CWT and the high heifers were $50.75.

3,363 head of cattle were marketed through the two sales.

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The cereal leaf beetle was identified in Appomattox County last year for the first time. This insect can cause devastating injury to spring planted oats and serious damage to wheat, barley and rye. There is a chemical control for this insect.

In order to reduce damage, a cooperative effort is being made between USDA, Virginia Department of Agriculture and the Virginia Tech Entomoloy Department. A program to release a parasite has been announced.

Appomattox County will get three containers of parasites to be released on May 23. Tentative sites have been selected near Stonewall and Evergreen. One additional site is needed. For the site to qualify, the cereal leaf beetle must be present. I would appreciate a call from interested persons.

BECKHAM

April 17 - Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Martin were entertained Sunday for their 48th anniversary at the Town Terrace Restaurant in Bedford. Present for the occasion were Mrs. Gertrude Burge, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tweedy, Michelle and Tracy and Kevin Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Martin and Mrs. Gertrude Burge visited Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Martin and Don of Lynchburg on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Moore spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. John Moore.

Mr. Abner Martin spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Howlett Drinkard, Donald Lee, and Miss Eunice Martin.

Jennifer Schmutz spent Saturday night with Melanie Morris.

Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Gibbs Martin were Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Martin, Jr., Tommy Martin and Mrs. Connie Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Carter and Karen, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Martin, A. C., Michael and Edward. In the afternoon Mrs. Herbert Moore, Jr., Mrs. Geraldine Moore and Gwen and Mr. Russell Martin joined the others honoring Mr. and Mrs. Gibbs Martin for their 58th Wedding Anniversary. A cake made by their niece, Mrs. Charles Tweedy was served with punch. We wish them many more anniversaries.

Mr. and Mrs. Gibbs Martin, Mrs. Geraldine Moore and Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Martin are spending today with Mrs. Edwin Moore and Mr. Tom Moore of Piney River.

Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Schmutz were, Mrs. Cornelius Moore and girls and Mrs. H. C. Moore.

Miss Eunice Martin and Mrs. Howlett Drinkard visited Mrs. David Martin in Virginia Baptist Hospital Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Moore and Jerry Moore were Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Henderson and Michael honoring Michael on his fifth birthday.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Moore and Timmy Moore Sunday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Watts Moore, Leon Moore and Mr. Walter Payne.

Mr. and Mrs. Howlett Drinkard, Donald Lee, Miss Eunice Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morris, Melanie Morris and Mrs. S. G. Martin joined other members of their family at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Martin and Mrs. O. W. Martin Sr. Saturday night honoring Mr. R. B. Martin on his birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Garrod and children of Lynchburg were recent supper guest of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morris, Melanie and Mrs. S. G. Martin.

JORDAN

The Senior Choir will practice Friday night at 7:30 p.m. All members are asked to be present.

Regular preaching services will be held Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

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